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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS PROGRAM FOR JORDAN

REF: (A) AMMAN 2080; (B) AMMAN 1872; (C) STATE 66389;
(D) AMMAN 4084; (E) AMMAN 4986

1. WE HAVE REVIEWED EQUIPMENT LISTS IN REFS A AND D AND
HAVE APPROVED THE TYPES AND QUANTITIES REQUESTED BY THE
EMBASSY WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS TO LIST IN REF D:

A. ITEMS C THRU E. MINIATURE TRANSMITTERS (6), KEL-TYPE
DEVICES (2) AND TELEPHONE TAP EQUIPMENT (4). IT HAS BEEN
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CONSISTENT POLICY NOT REPEAT NOT TO PROVIDE AUDIO-SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT UNDER NARCOTICS PROGRAM.

B. ITEM K, SHREDDING MACHINE, AND ITEM O, MACHINE GUNS (20) ARE NOT CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL TO NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTIVITIES.

UNABLE IDENTIFY ITEM S REF D (EDUCATIONAL MASTER NARCOTICS KIT). CAN MISSION ENLIGHTEN OR SHALL WE SUBSTITUTE NARCOTEST KITS IN LIEU THEREOF? IF NARCOTEST KITS INCLUDED THIS TOTAL APPROVED EQUIPMENT PACKAGE HAS A VALUE OF 135,036 DOLS WHICH WOULD BE APPROVED OUT OF FY 75 FUNDS.

2. IN MEETING AT THE DEPARTMENT WITH AMB. VANCE, AMB.

PICKERING AFFIRMED THE ABILITY OF AN EXPANDED NARCOTICS UNIT TO MAKE FULL UTILIZATION OF THIS EQUIPMENT BY TIME OF DELIVERY. DELIVERY ESTIMATES FOR PRINCIPAL CATEGORIES OF EQUIPMENT, DATING FROM SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT, ARE AS FOLLOWS: COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, 90-120 DAYS; VEHICLES (IN COUNTRY), 6-9 MONTHS (VARIES WITH TIME OF YEAR); ARMS, 30-60 DAYS. PARA 4, REF E, STATES JORDANIAN NARCOTICS BUREAU STILL CONSISTS OF ONLY 23 OFFICERS AND MEN BUT IT EXPECT TO EXPAND TO ITS FULL COMPLEMENT OF 83 ON A GRADUAL BASIS. AT THIS STAGE WE REQUEST COUNTRY TEAM TO EXAMINE THE LIST IN REFS A AND D TO DETERMINE WHETHER DELIVERY OF ANY TYPES OR QUANTITIES OF EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE POSTPONED TO PREVENT EQUIPMENT EXCESS AT PARTICULAR TIMES. EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT COMMODITIES SUCH AS VEHICLES, MOBILE RADIOS, BINOCULARS, PISTOLS AND AMMUNITION ARE HIGHLY VULNERABLE TO DIVERSION IF DELIVERED IN EXCESS OF NEED AT PARTICULAR TIMES.

3. WHILE WE CONCUR THAT NARCOTICS BUREAU (NB) SHOULD HAVE ITS OWN COMMUNICATIONS FREQUENCIES FOR OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY AND SECURITY, WE RECOMMEND STRONGLY THAT NB ALSO HAVE A COMMON FREQUENCY WITH ITS PARENT UNIT, PUBLIC SECURITY FORCES (PSF). THIS ARRANGEMENT WOULD PERMIT NB MAINTAIN COMMUNICATIONS INTEGRITY AND CONTACT PSF IF AND WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANT AND WOULD ENHANCE TOTAL INSTITUTIONAL COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY.

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4. FYI. DEPARTMENT A-6840, AUGUST 30, BEING REPEATED AMMAN WHICH INCLUDES RECENTLY NEGOTIATED STATE/AID PASA UNDER WHICH AID WILL IMPLEMENT NARCOTICS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND BE ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN PROGRAM DESIGN. THUS AMMAN PROGRAM SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED THROUGH AID PROAG. END FYI.

5. COMMENTS REQUESTED SOONEST. INGERSOLL

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